

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State educators who have developed and maintained impressive reputations based on the excellence of their academic endeavors; and

Whereas, Dr. Gavin Doughty, Sr., of Tarkio College has enjoyed a long, stellar career in music education and performance which led to his receipt of the title of Professor Emeritus and the honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree after his retirement in 1969; and

Whereas, associated with Tarkio College for twenty-nine years, Dr. Gavin Doughty served that venerable institution as the Chairman of the Music Department and Head of the Humanities Division who was admired for his historical and technical knowledge, creativity, and student/faculty talent show performances in which he dressed in a formal tuxedo with tails, carried a candelabra with sheet music trailing behind, and removed his shoe and sock to keep time with his foot in a bucket of water; and

Whereas, a pianist and organist noted for his skill, precision, and dedication, Dr. Gavin Doughty also deserves mention of his abilities and professionalism as a choral director of considerable merit; and

Whereas, Dr. Gavin Doughty developed his musical foundations and then reenforced them through diligent studies which led to his earning Bachelor's and Master's degrees in piano and organ as the first such double major granted by Kansas University and a Doctor of Philosophy degree in choral conducting from the University of Iowa, and through his additional private studies with Rudolph Ganz of Chicago, Illinois; and

Whereas, with a string of accomplishments far too long to enumerate, Dr. Gavin Doughty is justifiably proud of the support shown to him down through the years by his beloved wife, Eleanor Culp Doughty, and their children, Mervyn Fisher, Gavin Doughty, Jr., Wayne Doughty, and Carol Jagger:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Dr. Gavin Doughty for the inaugural Outstanding Faculty/Staff Award given by the Tarkio College Alumni Association and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of the significant body of work which he accomplished on behalf of the field of music and for the benefit of his students; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Professor Emeritus Dr. Gavin Doughty, Sr., of Tarkio College.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2127, adopted April 23, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker